REMARKS

The Office Action states that the claims of the application are directed to the following distinct inventions:

- Invention I, claims 1-15 and 30-38; and
- Invention II, claims 16-29.

The Office Action states that restriction to one of the inventions is required. Responsive to the Office Action, Applicants hereby elect for prosecution the claims corresponding to Invention II, i.e., claims 16-29, without traverse.

The Office Action also states that the application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species of the claimed invention:

- Embodiment 1, corresponding to Figure 1;
- Embodiment 2, corresponding to Figure 2;
- Embodiment 3, corresponding to Figure 3; and
- Embodiment 4, corresponding to Figure 4.

The Office Action states that election of single disclosed species is required.

Applicants point out that Figures 2-4 are top, side and perspective views, respectively, of a magnetic device according to one embodiment of the present invention. Figures 2-4, therefore, are not distinct species of the claimed invention, but rather represent one specie.

Responsive to the specie election requirement, Applicants hereby select the specie of Figure 2-4 for prosecution on the merits, without traverse. The claims of the present application readable on the elected specie are claims 16-29. No claim in this group (i.e., claims 16-29) is generic to both the specie of embodiment 1 (Figure 1) and the specie of embodiment 2 (Figures 2-4).

The examiner is invited to contact the undersigned with any questions regarding the aforementioned elections.

Respectfully submitted,

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